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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: KYLE M. HANSON

APPLICATION No.: 09/891,844

FILED: JUNE 26, 2001

FOR: **PROCESSING APPARATUS WITH  
SENSORY SUBSYSTEM FOR DETECTING  
THE PRESENCE/ABSENCE OF WAFERS  
OR OTHER WORKPIECES**

EXAMINER: DONALD R. VALENTINE

ART UNIT: 1742

CONF. No: 4760

Response Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The present communication responds to the Office Action dated May 19, 2003 in the above-identified application. Please find enclosed a petition for a two-month extension of the deadline to file this paper. Accordingly, the deadline to file this paper is October 20, 2003, because October 19, 2003, was a Sunday. Please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2.